

Furman High School

Please use the base budget of \$355,250 + any additional amount that you have indicated in the school profile. Put the total on the working spreadsheet.

- Student Population: 1,421
- Faculty & Staff:
 - English 10
 - Social Studies 9
 - Math 10
 - Science 9
 - Foreign Language 6
 - Art 2
 - Music 2
 - Graphic Design 1
 - ESOL 2
 - Business 4
 - Photography 1
 - Instructional Coach 1
 - Principal 1
 - Bookkeeper 1
 - Guidance 5
 - Plant Engineer 1
 - Media specialist 2
 - Secretary 1
 - Attendance 1
 - PE 3
 - Special ED 11
 - Assistant Principal 4

School Profile

Furman High School recently hired a new principal for the school. Technology has never been their strong point and he is determined to bring the school into the 21st Century.

Last year, the Freshman Academy staff wrote a grant and was able to put Promethean Boards in the rooms of the nine teachers who teach in the Freshman Academy (2 English, 2 Math, 2 Social Studies, 2 Science, 1 Special Ed). The grant also paid for a brand new Freshman Academy lab. Teachers can check out this lab to do research or projects.

Furman High School has several labs available to teacher checkout and for instructing, however many of them are out of date:

- Business Lab 1: Keyboarding 30 Computers (6 years old)
- Business lab 2: Keyboarding 30 Computers (6 years old)
- Business Lab 3: Keyboarding 30 Computers (3 years old)
- Business Lab 4: Keyboarding 30 Computers (3 years old)
- Freshman Lab: 30 Computers (1 year old)
- Photography Lab: 30 Computers (5 years old)
- Media Center Checkout Lab 30 Computers (3 years old)
- Checkout Lab 30 Computer (4 years old)

- Laptop Cart 30 Computers (2 years old)
- Laptop Cart 30 Computers (6 years old)
- Laptop Cart 30 Computers (1 Year old)

The Freshman Academy has more technology than most of the school since that has been the focus the last few years. The teachers just had the Promethean boards installed and the teachers have not yet started using them.

The school also has several devices for teachers to checkout and use with their students. When the principal looked at the checkout records, he discovered that the equipment is never checked out, except Mrs. Sturgill who checked out a set of ActivExpressions all year. He notices that she uses them in her class all the time.

- ActivExpressions 10 Sets
- Digital Cameras 22 (2 years old)
- Video Cameras 10 (older than 5 years)

The teachers all have laptops. The Freshman Academy teachers have new laptops (1 year old) that was purchased as part of the grant. All the grant money was not spent last year and there is an additional \$10,000 remaining. It must be spent on Freshman Academy equipment.

On a recent observation marathon, the principal and assistant principals observed that the teachers use their whiteboards frequently (dry erase markers) and typically lecture for 50 minutes. The school has 15 projectors, but most of them are never checked out. The computer labs that are available for checkout are rarely used except for research. Overall, Furman High is very traditional. There is no software in the school other than the keyboarding software used in the business labs. The principal hopes he can bring the school into the 21st century!

The PTA was eager to help the school. They raised nearly 30,000 to go towards technology. They would really like to see additional Promethean boards put into the school if possible.